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TO:

**Each Supervisor** 

FROM:

Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.

LDirector and Health Officer

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS OF GREATER LOS ANGELES FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE FOR BIOTERRORISM

This is to advise you that I am exercising the authority delegated by your Board on July 31, 2007, to execute a public health emergency preparedness and response for bioterrorism agreement with The American Red Cross of Greater Los Angeles (ARCGLA), at a maximum contractual obligation of \$195,448, 100 percent funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Notice of Award 5U90TP917012-08, effective upon execution by the parties through August 9, 2008.

The agreement is to purchase, deploy, secure, and inspect storage containers which will house the contents of 80 Department of Public Health Point of Dispensing caches throughout Los Angeles service area.

Approval of the agreement was delayed due to changes in management at ARCGLA. DPH Emergency Preparedness and Response Program has coordinated with ARCGLA and full completion of the work is expected by the end of the term of agreement.

County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office have approved the agreement as to form.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

JEF/jr DA#00652

c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors



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